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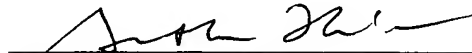
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The cited documents were brought to the Applicants' attention in a Search Report for an International application pending under the Patent Cooperation Treaty which asserts priority to U.S. Serial No. 10/002,613 ("613 application"), which Search Report was communicated on May 13, 2003, not more than three months ago.

The references cited on the Form PTO/SB/08A may not constitute prior art to the subject matter of the invention claimed in the pending application. The documents therefore are disclosed here in an abundance of caution, in light of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

The Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider this Information Disclosure Statement. As the Applicants have not received a first Office Action for the '613 application, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3) and it is believed that no fee is due. However, in the event that this paper should cross in the mail with a first Office Action, the Applicants hereby request that the Office consider the Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,


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